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PATENT APPLICATION  
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APPLICATION OF	) RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
WERNER OBERECHT ET AL	) EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/033,247	) EXAMINING GROUP NO: 1712
FILED: DECEMBER 29, 2001	) EXAMINER: P. A. SHORT
TITLE: MICROGEL-CONTAINING RUBBER COMPOUNDS WITH PHOSPHORYL POLYSULFIDES AND VULCANIZATES OR SHAPED ARTICLES PREPARED THEREFROM	)

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 7, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 7, 2003. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks and claim amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims 1-7 is courteously requested.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Specification: None.

Amendment to the Claims: none, a listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings: None.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

Appendix: None.

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